Kellogg Creek Restoration and Community Enhancement Project Restoring Habitat, Creating Fish Passage, Strengthening Community, and Updating Infrastructure

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Update #14

PROJECT OVERVIEW

American Rivers, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), North Clackamas Watershed Council (NCWC), and the City of Milwaukie (City), with support from key project partners, have initiated a multi-benefit project. The project will create fish passage into the Kellogg-Mt. Scott watershed, restore lower Kellogg Creek and its floodplain through the City of Milwaukie, improve long-term community resiliency and access to nature, while modernizing vulnerable multi-modal transportation infrastructure. Private, local, state, and federal funding has been secured to complete all pre-construction activities. The project is in the final stages of Phase 1, evaluating restoration alternatives and feasibility.

NOVEMBER SUMMARY

Outreach and Community Engagement –

- A project update was requested by House Democrats of Region 37 and 41 and was given by NCWC in cooperation with Representative Mark Gamba.
- An informational presentation was given to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC).

Design –

- The Draft Kellogg Project Conceptual Basis of Design Report and Feedback Log was distributed to the Project Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for review and feedback on November 6, a week preceding TAC meeting #4. TAC representatives were encouraged to review the report prior to the meeting, and to begin documenting their review questions and comments.
- The 4th TAC meeting was held on Monday, November 13. The TAC was presented with a project overview and status update, basis of design information, and conceptual restoration plan sheets to facilitate discussion. Critical input was received from key partners, stakeholders, and regulatory agency representatives on design criteria and constraints. Additional written comments were received by November 20. Feedback will be addressed by the project team, and necessary changes made in finalizing the Kellogg Basis of Design for Impoundment Restoration report and conceptual restoration plans. The TAC feedback will be included as an appendix to the Final Report.
- Preliminary Geotechnical and Environmental Evaluation Draft Reports were provided to the Leadership Team in November, which summarized results of the July and August sampling events and subsequent laboratory analyses.
- The project team finalized the Kellogg Project Phase 2 baseline scope of work and completed the draft Request for Proposals for administrative processing.
- ODOT's survey crew has begun to conduct land survey activities in and around the project area.

• Baseline Monitoring -

 An extra day of eDNA sampling was contracted by NCWC to compare watershed access through the fish ladder to spawning salmonids and lamprey during different flow years (2022 versus 2023).

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DECEMBER NEXT STEPS

- The Phase 2 scope of work and Request for Proposals (RFP) documents will be submitted for administrative review. Procurement documents will be finalized in December. In coordination with other members of the Leadership Team, ODOT is targeting public advertisement of the RFP in January to accommodate the holidays.
- Scoping of final sediment characterization and geotechnical exploration work needed to inform design and permitting is underway and will be completed in December.
- ODOT project surveys in and around the project area will continue in December.
- A meeting with NOAA, the USACE, and the FHWA will be held on December 7 to advance NEPA coordination on the project.
- Congresswoman Lori Chavez-DeRemer's staff will tour the project site on December 14.
- NCWC will give a presentation to the Milwaukie City Council on December 5th to update them on the project.